
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 819 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY HENNESSEY, PAINTER, MASSER, KAUFFMAN AND TALLMAN,
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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 29, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of May 2014 as "Older Pennsylvanians
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, May is traditionally recognized as "Older Americans
4 Month" in the United States, a month set aside to honor older
5 adults who are among the most treasured resources, who are
6 united by historical experiences and strengthened by diversity
7 and who interpret events through varied perspectives and
8 backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our communities; and

9 WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services'
10 Administration on Aging has announced that the theme of Older
11 Americans Month 2014 is "Safe Today. Healthy Tomorrow"; and

12 WHEREAS, Older adults are at greater risk of unintentional
13 injury than the rest of the population, and this year's theme
14 focuses on injury prevention and safety to encourage older
15 adults to protect themselves and remain active and independent
16 for as long as possible; and

17 WHEREAS, By taking control of their safety, older Americans

1 can live longer, healthier lives and continue to contribute to
2 our communities; and

3 WHEREAS, Increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement
4 age, and it is especially important to note that those who were
5 born in the first year of the baby boom generation reached 65
6 years of age in 2011; and

7 WHEREAS, Older adults are productive, active and influential
8 members of society, and they share essential talents, wisdom and
9 life experiences with their families, friends and neighbors; and

10 WHEREAS, Older adults deserve recognition for the
11 contributions they have made and will make to the culture,
12 economy and character of the United States and this
13 Commonwealth; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
15 month of May 2014 as "Older Pennsylvanians Month" in
16 Pennsylvania; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That every citizen be urged to take time this month
18 to honor Pennsylvania's older adults and the professionals,
19 family members and volunteers who care for them.